

## **DC Youth Advisory Council Leadership Training**

**When:** August 16-20 and August 23-27, 2004

**Time:** 9am-5pm

**Where:** One Judiciary Square  
441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW Washington, DC

**What:** The DCYAC Leadership Training prepared Councilmembers, Alternates and Ward Advisors for the work they will perform as Youth Advisory Council participants. The first week of training focused on participants getting to know each other and the District of Columbia, and developing teambuilding and facilitation skills. During the second week, participants learned about the structure and function of the District government, the policy-making and legislative processes, and developed public speaking and advocacy skills.

**Week 1 activities included:**

- Neighborhood studies and community mapping with the Close-Up Foundation
- Cultural diversity training with the National Conference for Community & Justice
- Physical, indoor teambuilding exercises with GO-Adventure Sports
- Facilitation training with the Institute of Cultural Affairs

**Week 2 activities included:**

- DC City Council simulation with the Close-Up Foundation
- Children's Defense Fund presentation on DC gun violence legislation
- How to organize an advocacy campaign
- Alliance for Justice workshops on public speaking and interacting with the media

DCYAC thanks the following organizations and individuals for their assistance during the Leadership Training.

**Guest Speakers**

Neil Albert, Deputy Mayor for Children, Youth, Families and Elders  
Dr. Natwar M. Gandhi, DC Government Chief Financial Officer  
Rodney Mitchell, Attorney, DC Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee  
Morna Murray, Education and Youth Development Co-Director, Children's Defense Fund  
Victor Reinoso, Education Initiatives Manager, Federal City Council  
Neil Richardson, Interim Executive Director, Neighborhood Action  
Archie Williams, Constituent Services Director, Office of DC City Council Chairwoman  
Linda Cropp

**Food Donors**

Chipotle – Chinatown  
Corner Bakery – Union Station  
Domino's Pizza – 15 K Street, NE and 1926 14<sup>th</sup> Street, NW  
McDonald's – L'Enfant Plaza  
Quizno's – 14<sup>th</sup> and U Streets, NW  
Whole Foods – Tenleytown

### **Training Facilitators**

Alliance for Justice  
Close-Up Foundation  
GO-Adventure Sports  
Institute of Cultural Affairs  
Wendy Lesko/Youth Activism  
National Conference for Community & Justice  
Kimberly Rattley

### **DCYAC Leadership Training Schedule**

#### **Monday, August 16**

**9:00-9:30am:** Registration

**9:30-10:30am:** Welcome; Leadership Training overview and expectations; Review Day 1 goals and agenda

**10:30-10:45am:** Break

**10:45-11:15am:** Icebreaker with Kimberly Rattley

**11:15-12:30pm:**

1. DCYAC History – by Melvin Moore, DCYAC Founding Member
2. Serve DC Overview – by Kimberly Flowers, Serve DC Outreach Manager
3. DCYAC mission, vision and goals
4. DCYAC participants' roles and responsibilities
5. Q&A

**12:30-1:30pm:** Lunch

**1:30-4:30pm:** Kimberly Rattley conducts Playback Theatre workshop

- This workshop consists of a variety of theatre activities that will enable participants to get to know each other and tell stories about their lives.
- Objectives are to build teamwork and understanding among participants.

**4:30-5:00pm:** Review Day 1 goals; Day 1 evaluation; Day 2 overview

#### **Tuesday, August 17**

**9:00-9:15am:** Sign in

**9:15-12:00pm:** Monument Study Visit: Jefferson Memorial, FDR Memorial, Lincoln Park

**12:00-1:00pm:** Lunch at Union Station

**1:00-2:15pm:** Community mapping at 10<sup>th</sup> and H Streets, NE

**2:15-4:45pm:** Neighborhood Study Visits

- Southwest Waterfront Mall (4<sup>th</sup> and M Streets, SW)
- Barry Farms Complex (Anacostia, Sumner Road and MLK Ave., SE)
- Shaw (10<sup>th</sup> and U Streets, NW)

**4:45-5:00pm:** Day 2 evaluation; Day 3 overview

#### **Wednesday, August 18**

**9:00-9:30am:** Sign in; Review Day 3 goals and agenda

**9:30-12:30pm:**

- Group A – cultural diversity training with the National Conference for Community and Justice Group B – team-building activities with GO-Adventure Sports

**12:30-1:30pm:** Lunch

**1:30-4:30pm:**

- Group B – cultural diversity training with the National Conference for Community and Justice
- Group A – team-building activities with GO-Adventure Sports

**4:30-5:00pm:** Day 3 evaluation; Day 4 overview

**Thursday, August 19**

*Location: Mayor's Press Room, Wilson Building*

**9:00-9:30am:** Sign-in; Review Day 4 goals and agenda

**9:30-12:30pm:** Facilitation training with the Institute of Cultural Affairs (ICA)

**12:30-1:30pm:** Lunch

**1:30-4:30pm:** Facilitation training with ICA

**4:30-5:00pm:** Day 4 evaluation; Day 5 overview

**Friday, August 20**

*Location: Second Floor Community Room, Reeves Center*

**9:00-9:30am:** Sign in; Review Day 5 goals and agenda

**9:30-12:30pm:** Facilitation training with ICA

**12:30-1:30pm:** Lunch

**1:30-2:00pm:** Week 1 debrief

**2:00-2:15pm:** Community mapping assignment

**2:15-2:30pm:** Day 5 evaluation; Day 6 overview

**Monday, August 23**

**9:00-9:30am:** Sign in; Review Day 6 goals and agenda

**9:30-11:45am:** Ward presentations

**11:45-12:45pm:** Lunch

**12:45-2:00pm:**

- Overview of the Executive Office of the Mayor
- Overview of DC government – by Neil Richardson, Neighborhood Action Interim Executive Director

**2:00-2:15pm:** DC budget overview – by Dr. Natwar M. Gandhi, DC Government Chief Financial Officer

**2:15-2:30pm:** Break

**2:30-4:30pm:** DC City Council simulation with the Close-Up Foundation

**4:30-5:00pm:** Day 6 evaluation; Day 7 overview

**Tuesday, August 24**

**9:00-9:30am:** Sign in; Review Day 7 goals and agenda

**9:30-11:00am:** Overview of the policy-making process

**11:00-11:15am:** Break

**11:15-12:30pm:** Understanding the Relations of Power – by Alliance for Justice

**12:30-1:30pm:** Lunch

**1:30-2:00pm:** DC government overview

**2:00-3:15pm:** Break/DCYAC participant bios

**3:15-4:30pm:** DC gun violence legislation – by Morna Murray, Children's Defense Fund

**4:30-5:00pm:** Day 7 evaluation; Day 8 overview

**Wednesday, August 25**

**9:00-9:30am:** Sign in; Review Day 8 goals and agenda

**9:30-10:30am:** Triumphs and Trends in Youth Advisory Councils across America – by Wendy Lesko, Youth Activism  
**10:30-10:45am:** Break  
**10:45-12:45pm:** Issue Brainstorm Activity with Wendy Lesko  
**12:45-2:00pm:** Lunch  
**2:00-3:00pm:** The Private Sector and Business Community as Stakeholders in Education Reform – by Victor Reinoso, Federal City Council  
**3:00-3:15pm:** Break  
**3:15-4:15pm:** The DC Criminal Justice System – by Rodney Mitchell, DC Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee  
**4:30-5:00pm:** Day 8 evaluation; Day 9 overview

#### **Thursday, August 26**

*Location: Room A-5, Martin Luther King, Jr. Library*

**9:30-10:00am:** Sign in; Review Day 9 goals and agenda  
**10:00-1:00pm:** Presentation Skills Training with Kimberly Rattley  
**1:00-2:00pm:** Lunch  
**2:00-3:15pm:** Organizing a Campaign – by Alliance for Justice  
**3:15-3:30pm:** Break  
**3:30-4:30pm:** How to Work with the Media - by Alliance for Justice  
**4:30-5:00pm:** Day 9 evaluation; Day 10 overview

#### **Friday, August 27**

**9:00-9:30am:** Sign in; Review Day 10 goals and agenda  
**9:30-10:30am:** Leadership Training debrief  
**10:30-11:30am:** What's next? DCYAC member roles and activities for 2004-05  
**11:30-12:00pm:** Q&A  
**12:00-3:00pm:** Break

#### **DCYAC New Member Induction Ceremony, 3:00-4:30pm**

*Location: Thurgood Marshall Center Trust, Inc.*

**Welcome** – Emilio Dorcely, Director, DCYAC

Jerome DuVal, Interim Executive Director, Serve DC

**Guest Speakers** – Neil Albert, Deputy Mayor, DC Office of Children, Youth, Families and Elders

Archie Williams, Constituent Services Director, Office of DC City Council Chairwoman Linda Cropp

**DCYAC Leadership Training Certificates**

**DCYAC Councilmember Induction**

**Councilmember Pledge to DCYAC**

**Acceptance of Pledge**

**Closing Remarks** – Emilio Dorcely

**Reception**